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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by: (PS)

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AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED PENALTIES FOR FAILING TO STOP FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 14-300f of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2013*):
- (a) The operator of any motor vehicle shall immediately bring his vehicle to a stop not less than ten feet from a location having a school crossing guard on any highway or private road when such school crossing guard specifically directs him to do so. Any motor vehicle so stopped for a school crossing guard shall not proceed until there is specific direction from the school crossing guard.
 - (b) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (a) of this section shall be fined [not less than one hundred dollars nor more than five hundred] four hundred fifty dollars for the first offense and, for each subsequent offense, not less than five hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than thirty days or both.

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15 (c) Upon receipt of a written report from any school crossing guard 16 specifying the license plate number, color and type of any motor 17 vehicle observed by such school crossing guard violating any 18 provision of subsection (a) of this section and the date, approximate 19 time and location of such violation, a police officer shall issue a written 20 warning or summons to the owner of such vehicle.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: October 1, 2013 Section 1 14-300f

Statement of Purpose:

To strengthen the penalties available when the operator of a motor vehicle fails to immediately stop when directed to do so by a school crossing guard.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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